

7. Overlooked and new birds for Phuket Province, Thailand.

The Birds of the Malay Peninsula by MEDWAY & WELLS (1976) gives detailed species distributions by local administrative areas, and (although their paper was published a year earlier) HOLMES & WELLS (1975) provide supplementary records to those of MEDWAY & WELLS (*op. cit.*) in respect of southern Thai provinces considered part of the Malay peninsula, including the island province of Phuket.

MEDWAY & WELLS (*op. cit.*) appear to have overlooked some but not all of Gill's records for Phuket (DICKINSON, 1966), namely the Great Egret *Egretta alba*, Mongolian Plover *Charadrius mongolus*, Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*, Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*, Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea* and Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*. Similarly HOLMES & WELLS (1975) imply that some of these species had not been recorded from Phuket.

My own 1977 observations on species new to Phuket are: Grey Plover *Pluvialis squatarola*, one bird was seen on 2nd and 9th November and two on 15th November; and Malay Sand Plover *Charadrius peronii*, about ten birds were seen on 9th and 15th November.

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